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In response to the January 16, 2003 official action, please cancel claims 12-23 without prejudice.

REMARKS

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 2, 10, 12-18 and 20-23 under 35 U. S. C. §

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The Examiner relied upon Waehaelae, K., et al, "The Synthesis, Structure and Anticancer Activity of cis- and trans-4', 7 dihydroxyisoflavan-4-ols," Chem. Abstracts, 127:307275 (1997) (hereinafter Waehaelae) to support this rejection. Claims 12-23 are cancelled without prejudice, rendering rejections of these claims moot.

As to claims 1, 2 and 10, Waehaelae only discloses compounds in which there